

DIARY NOTES

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12 and 13 June 1956

1. Met with Matt Baird to discuss several things. With regard to the difficulty between the Psychiatric Division of the Medical Staff and the Assessment and Evaluation Staff of the Office of Training, he said that he and Dr. Tietjen were trying to work this out. He believed that they could work it out and requested that I take no further action at this time. I agreed that this method was by far the most preferable. H

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25X1A9a 2. With regard to the research and development contract which [REDACTED] wants to negotiate, Matt agreed with me that [REDACTED] should not have a blanket check in this field and that each project should be submitted in the normal manner for proper consideration and approval.

25X1A5a1 3. I gave Matt the study which [REDACTED] had made as a result of Dr. [REDACTED] complaint about the exorbitant length of time it took to get permission to contact a consultant. Told him that we had gone to a lot of trouble to try to run this matter down only to find, as far as I was concerned, that Dr. [REDACTED] complaint was completely unjustified. I urged him to personally study Bob's paper. 25X1A9a

4. I discussed with Matt my ideas on the merger of the JOT and JCD Programs and am convinced that I will have to call another meeting of Personnel and Training representatives in order to get this thing off dead center. H

5. Talked to Matt about what the Agency philosophy should be in connection with making our training facilities available to other Government agencies. He said that he needed guidance in this field. I told him that my philosophy would be that we should not do this where it meant an increased budget or increased numbers of people, unless there was a clear benefit to CIA.

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tional specialists at the various stations. I agreed to discuss the matter with [REDACTED] and possibly to arrange a conference at which we would all discuss it together. I have since discussed this with [REDACTED] and learned that the FE Division has no more information than I do as to just what is being planned by [REDACTED] and the others in the FE area. We agreed that we should dispatch a cable to [REDACTED] asking him for his specific plans. We need this in any case to respond intelligently to his cable concerning personnel assignments.

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7. With Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Saunders, and Mr. [REDACTED] I attended a Hearing before Senators Hayden, Russell, Chavez, Saltonstall, and Bridges to consider our Fiscal 1957 Budget. They did not dig very deeply into the Budget and were more interested in discussing the general international situation with the Director.....they were particularly interested in Soviet aircraft and other defense production. At the conclusion of the meeting Senator Russell said that he felt he could speak for every Senator in the room in telling Mr. Dulles that they all had great confidence in him and wanted to help him in any way that they could. He urged Mr. Dulles to make every effort to reduce his over-all Budget request and particularly to reduce the numbers of personnel he had. He pointed out that those congressmen who knew us and wanted to support us would be greatly strengthened in their efforts if they could see positively that CIA had reduced its Budget or numbers.....reductions need not necessarily be great. He felt that if we could give them a few concrete demonstrations of these reductions they could almost assure us that such things as "The Watchdog Committee," etc., would not be proposed again for several years. Mr. Dulles pledged that he would do his very best to comply with this request.

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Told Matt Baird that with regard to the [REDACTED] case I proposed (a) to hold [REDACTED] responsible for the entire amount of money recommended by the Comptroller and the Chief, Audit Staff, (b) to give him a written admonition, (c) to bar him for the foreseeable future from occupying positions of financial responsibility, and (d) to bar him from further promotions until the entire sum which he owed the Government was paid. Matt agreed that this was fair and proper.

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9. Talked to Jim Garrison about the proposed assignment of [REDACTED] as the Special Support Assistant to the DD/S (Logistics). Told him that without reflecting on [REDACTED] in any way I thought he (Garrison) would be wise to fill this position with someone who knew the Office of the Deputy Director (Plans) better than [REDACTED] and with someone who would remain with the Agency rather than leave at the end of his military tour of duty. He indicated that he was willing to do this. I have also passed this on to [REDACTED]

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10. Talked to Jim about the extension of [REDACTED] tour of duty for a third year. We have agreed that we will release [REDACTED] upon the expiration of his second year. Jim is taking the necessary action. 25X1A9a

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11. Also talked to Jim about the assignment of a well qualified Logistics man to [REDACTED] staff. He will take care of this concurrently with the foregoing assignments. 25X1A9a

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12. Upon his return from Europe [REDACTED] told me that our Logistics man in [REDACTED] had "goofed off" but that [REDACTED] had felt that the fellow was sufficiently rehabilitated that we should not relieve him. On 13 June Ken telephoned to say that a cable had been received which indicated that this individual had "done it again" and that it appeared that we should recall him immediately. Told him that I agreed and to pursue this with Jim Garrison without delay.

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